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Mr. Mike Mahoney  
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Dear Mike:

As you are aware, we do not plan to bring up the Historical Landsat Wide Band Video Tape (WBVT) data processing system immediately after shipment to EDC. Because of recent FY 1988 funding reductions, EDC will store the data tapes and system and delay processing until initiation of Joint USGS/NOAA National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Archive operations.

Renovation of necessary storage space (approximately 7,000 sq. feet) is scheduled to be completed in late April. Therefore, it is requested that shipment of the tapes and system from GSFC to EDC begin on or about May 1, 1988. EDC engineering personnel are scheduled to be at GSFC during the period of March 1-11, for system dismantling, labelling, and preparation for shipment to EDC.

Collocating this early Landsat data set and processing system with the majority of the rest of the Landsat data is an important step towards accomplishing the data archive goals of the Land Remote Sensing Commercialization Act of 1984.

Please contact me or Gary Metz if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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